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25X1 1. [REDACTED] CURRENTLY USES HO'S ON J-1 FOR:

A. TO OBTAIN PITCH AND ROLL ON SPOT BASIS FOR IMMEDIATE EXPLOITATION. IT IS POSSIBLE TO USE STELLAR FOR THIS PURPOSE BUT NECESSARY COMPUTER PROGRAM IS NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.

B. TO SPOT CHECK AGAINST STELLAR ATTITUDE VALUES.

C. AS BACKUP FOR STELLAR WHEN MALFUNCTIONS OCCUR.

25X1 2. [REDACTED] GREATLY APPRECIATES DESIGN OF DISIC IN J-3 AS PRIMARY UNIT WITH INCORPORATION OF FEATURES THAT SHOULD ELIMINATE THE PERENNIAL SI PROBLEMS OF J-1 SYSTEM. SINCE DISIC WILL OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY OF MAIN PAN CAMERAS, THE ONLY MEANS FOR CORRELATION OF DISIC EXPOSURE TO PAN IS BY TIME. CORRELATION TO NEAREST 100 MILLISECONDS OR BETTER IS REQUIRED.

3. BASED UPON FACT DISIC IS A COMPLETELY NEW SYSTEM [REDACTED] DOES NOT FEEL IT CAN AGREE TO PLAN (PARA 3 REF) FOR REMOVAL OF HO CAMERAS ON CR-6 UNTIL DISIC PERFORMANCE AND RELIABILITY HAVE BEEN PROVEN UNDER OPERATIONAL USE SINCE EQUAL OR GREATER LEAD TIME IS NECESSARY TO REINSTATE HO CAMERAS IF DISIC PERFORMANCE IS NOT SATISFACTORY. PERFORMANCE AND RELIABILITY TO INCLUDE DISIC-PAN CALIBRATION, STAR IMAGERY AND DISTRIBUTION, TIME RECORDING, ETC.

4. RUMORS INDICATE THERE MAY BE PLANS TO REMOVE HO CAMERAS FROM J-1 SYSTEM ALSO. PLS ADVISE AS TO VALIDITY OF THESE RUMORS.

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